

Another Notch For The Philatelic Rifle

Readers of Linn's will remember that at the time the Roosevelt commemorative issue was announced by Guatemala, this paper denounced the Post Office Department of that government and its officials for limiting the number of complete sets that were ordered, and for the manner in which these sets were distributed. It so happened that the disposition of a goodly number of these stamps were made to one large firm, and which thereby exerted a control on the price.

When offered to the collectors of this country, these Roosevelt sets were priced at several times their face value, and was another one of the reasons why a number of them abandoned the attempt to complete a Roosevelt collection. The ordinary collector of Rooseveltiana didn't mind paying up to about double face value for a newly issued stamp, but balked in considerable numbers when he was the object of an attempted steal.

Readers will also remember that the Guatemalan Director of Posts, Col. Luis Humberto Diaz, who was responsible for the ordering of insufficient quantities of the Roosevelt series, made feeble attempts to justify his affront to collectors. He was convincing to neither the collectors of this country nor to those of his own, for the Guatemalan philatelists had had no success in obtaining any amount of the stamps themselves.

In their campaign for the elimination of further mishandling of postal issues, the news articles and the editorials on the matter which appeared in Linn's were translated into Spanish and circulated widely among the collectors and the non-collectors of Guatemala. These articles plus the call to action which they asked for, finally had the desired result.

It has been announced that Col. Luis Humberto Diaz has "resigned" as Director of Posts for Guatemala and that he was immediately replaced by Mayor J. Cesar Paiz.

Ecuador Will Honor Famous American Writer

One of South and Central America's greatest humanists and writers, Andres Bello, is to be honored with a set of stamps by Ecuador on the 70th Anniversary of his death. Each stamp will bear the portrait of Bello. Values in the series will be 20, 30 and 40c and 1 Sucre in the regular postage series, and 60c, 1.30 and 1.90 Sucres in the airmail part of it. Dr. Juan Lestrel of Quito, Ecuador through whom the above was learned states that as of the present, no first day date has been set.

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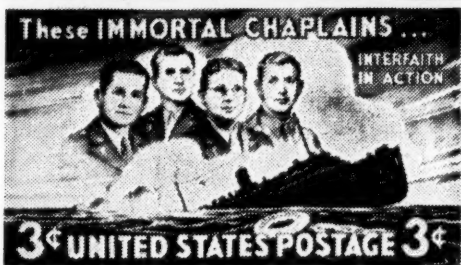
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Wisconsin And Four Chaplains Stamps



Shown above are the designs of the stamps that will be released by the Post Office Department for the commemoration of the Four Chaplains and the Centennial of the State of Wisconsin. The Chaplains stamps will have its first day of issue on May 28 at Washington, D. C. while the Wisconsin stamp is to be released at Madison, Wisconsin, the state capitol on May 29. Color of the Chaplains stamp is to be purple, while the color of the Wisconsin stamp was not announced.

Postmaster General Reveals Designs, Details Of Wisconsin, Four Chaplains Commemorative

Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson made public descriptions of the Four Chaplains and the Wisconsin Statehood commemorative postage stamps which are to be issued on May 28 and May 29, respectively.

The new Wisconsin Statehood commemorative postage stamp which is to be placed on first day sale at Madison, Wisconsin on May 29 will have as its central design a reproduction of the State Capitol Building and a scroll depicting an outline map of the State around which in dark Gothic will go the wording "Wisconsin Centennial 1848-1948." Directly above the Capitol in the same style type will be the word "Forward." Across the bottom of the stamp will appear "United States Postage 3c" in white Gothic.

The Wisconsin stamp will be printed in purple ink and will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in size, arranged horizontally with a single outline border.

The Four Chaplains stamp, which will honor the heroic Chaplains who sacrificed their lives in the sinking of the S. S. Dorchester in the North Atlantic in February, 1943, will have as its central motif the sinking of the Dorchester with the four Chaplains, George L. Fox, Clark V. Poling, John P. Washington and Alexander D. Goode grouped above in that order from left to right.

Across the top of the stamp will be the inscription, "These Immortal Chaplains...Interfaith in

Action." in white Gothic. Across the bottom of the stamp in the same style will appear "3c United States Postage 3c".

The stamp will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches arranged horizontally. The color of the stamp will be made public later, Mr. Donaldson said.

This Four Chaplains stamp will be placed on first-day sale at Washington, D. C. on May 28 with appropriate ceremonies at the White House.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancellations of these two stamps may send in excess of 10 addressed envelopes, accompanied with remittances for the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmasters at Washington, D. C., and at Madison, Wisconsin, for servicing.

First Day Figures For Mississippi Stamp

The Post Office Department announced that sales of the Mississippi Territory commemorative postage stamp at Natchez, Mississippi on April 7 amounted to 880,346 stamps sold, which figure included 434,804 first-day covers cancelled at that office on that date.

Thirty Years Of Air Mail Made Possible By The Courage And Vision Of The Air Pioneers

Thirty years of air mail service have seen these first few hundred letters stuffed into single-engined, open-cockpit Curtiss Jenny planes at New York and Washington, D. C., on May 15, 1918, sky-rocket to nearly 2,250,000 letters a day, each flying an average of 1,402 miles.

And the man on the street who paid 24 cents an ounce to send those first letters only 218 miles now gets three times faster service over thousands of air mail route miles for only a nickel. These and other facts about the birth and phenomenal growth of sky correspondence were recalled by United Air Lines officials as they prepared to observe the 30th anniversary of air mail.

After viewing the potentialities of the airplane during World War I, Congress appropriated \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918 to establish an experimental air mail route. With Army pilots doing the flying, the first scheduled trip was launched May 15, 1918 between New York and Washington via Philadelphia. Service over this 218-mile route consisted of one round trip daily, except Sunday. Three months later the Post Office took over the entire operation.

Out of this humble beginning developed coast-to-coast air mail service. On May 15, 1919, mail took to the air between Chicago and Cleveland; on July 1, 1919 between Cleveland and New York; on May 15, 1920 between Chicago and Omaha. Then, on September 8, 1920, the Omaha-San Francisco leg was added. An airway now linked the Pacific and the Atlantic coasts for the first time—"U. S. Air Mail Route No. 1." United Air Lines' present coast-to-coast route.

It was logical that air mail pilots of 1920's should choose the historic mid-continent pathway of those earlier pioneers who had "won the West" on the ground. Under their wings was a well-worn trail—a trail first outlined by explorer on foot; later widened by the pony express, overland stage coaches and the first transcontinental railroad.

Ox-drawn wagons had taken six months or more for their trip across the country, but this had been reduced by stage coach and rail to 24 days. Pony express later had covered the distance from Missouri to California in less than eight days. The first west-bound mail plane in 1920 took more than 82 hours to fly from New York to San Francisco.

There was reason for celebration when coast-to-coast air mail became a fact, even though it involved the movement of mail by plane in daylight only and the transfer of pouches to trains at night. It was obvious, however, that air mail service had to be put on a round-the-clock basis. On February 22 and 23, 1921, a group of volunteer Post Office pilots, determined to demonstrate the effectiveness of day and night schedules from coast to coast, re-

corded the first through day and night flight from San Francisco to New York. The success of that venture paved the way for lighting the transcontinental airway and led to the inauguration of regular day and night service on July 1, 1924.

Having pioneered air mail service and proved its practicability, the Post Office Department began turning it over to private contractors in 1926. Air mail contracts were awarded to private companies through open competitive bidding in 1926 and 1927. Varney Air Lines, which later became part of the United's system, was the first airline contractor to begin operations when, on April 6, 1926, it started flying between Pasco, Wash., and Elko, Nev., (this terminal later was changed to Salt Lake City) connecting there with the transcontinental route. Pacific Air Transport, another United predecessor, opened air mail service between Seattle and Los Angeles on September 15, 1926.

Boeing Air Transport, another United predecessor, was named lowest bidder for the San Francisco-Chicago division, and operations were started July 1, 1927. National Air Transport, a fourth United predecessor, began Chicago-New York operations September 1, 1927.

By 1931 United Air Lines had been formed out of its various predecessors and the old, honored names of Boeing, National, Pacific, and Varney gradually were dropped. The nation now had one company operating Air Mail Route No. 1 from coast to coast.

With the development of the coast-to-coast trail across the country, Boeing Air Transport

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Commemorative Cachet Honors Philippine Poet

On April 2, 1948, the Philippine Philatelic Club sponsored a cachet for the 160th Anniversary of the Birth of the Great Tagalog Poet, Francisco Baltazar Bagtas. Date of birth of this famous man of letters of the Philippines was April 2, 1788. Covers were postmarked from Manila. One at hand was sent through the courtesy of Severino N. Luna, 1931 A Azcarraga, Manila, Philippines.

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BELGIUM: Two new sets of charities are scheduled for delivery this month one set will honor Achel Abbey, denominations will be as follows: 65c plus 65 cents will show Saint Benoit and King Totila; 1 franc 35, plus 1 franc 35, will show a view of Archel Abbey. 2 franc 15 plus 2 franc 85 shows Saint Benoit.

The other set will have the same denomination but will honor Chevrement, this set will show various views of Chevrement as well as the Madonna.

BRAZIL: A series of 5 postage and 2 Air mail stamps to commemorate the forthcoming industrial exhibition are to be released in June or July.

BULGARIA: A 4 value set of pictorials will be issued in April in connection with the Conference at Bled.

CUBA: It is rumored that the Cuban government has a remainder of the 1940 souvenir sheet Scott's No. CB1 which will be overprinted with an appropriate inscription and put on sale at the 25th annual convention of the American Air Mail Society which will be held in Havana May 21st. to 23rd.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: A set to commemorate the 600th anniversary of the founding of the Charles University was issued April 7. Denominations and colors are as follows. 1 kc 50 dark brown, 2 kc light brown, 3 kc red brown, 5 kc blue.

PANAMA: Three postage stamps will honor the 400th anniversary of Cervantes; denominations will be 1c, 2c and 3c.

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There were about forty of these collectors who split the counties of the state among themselves, and made it a point to gather all the documentary evidence that they could about the county of their choice. Much of the information contained in this list was obtained from the records of the State Historical Society at Madison, Wis., and from the files of the Post Office Department.

The list will have its greatest appeal to the students of postal history, and to those who specialize in cancelled stamps on cover. Just by itself, it would prove of little use to the ordinary collector. But if this list is used in conjunction with other reference works, it will prove to be invaluable. A copy of the list is priced at \$2.00, and can be obtained from the secretary-treasurer of the Group, Ray Van Handel, 221 Park Ave., Sheboygan, Wis.

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On the new stamp the spelling of the State is that old rhyme, known by all of us from our school-days, called for a doubling of all the "s's" and "p's" in the song, but on the stamp, one "s" will be omitted.

The uninitiated are always ascribing great value to anything philatelic or numismatic that seems to possess an error, undoubtedly a psychological defense mechanism to cover their natural ignorance of such things as perforation errors, inverted centers, plate varieties which of course make for errors which are philatelically desirable.

Coin collectors are still tired of insisting that the nickel in use today portraying Jefferson is not rare because the "White House" on the back has no flag on the staff. The fact is that it isn't the White House that is shown, but Jefferson's residence at Monticello, and it never was desired to

show a flag on the coin. Neither is the 10c Roosevelt dime destined to be a rarity because it shows the late President without glasses, as we sometimes hear.

In the stamp field, we have had many cases where stamps that have appeared are alleged to have contained errors, and because of untold rumors that they were to be withdrawn the unwary have been trapped into paying ridiculous prices for them. When it was alleged that the Pony Express stamp showed the horse with a saddle not known in 1860, many felt that the stamp would be withdrawn. The Korea Flag stamp was alleged to bear a standard not the official flag of that unhappy country, and for that reason stories were passed about that it would be withdrawn.

In order to forestall letters from eagle-eyed readers who note the "error" in spelling, let it be announced once and for all that the "error" is deliberate, that the stamp will not be withdrawn because of it, and that it is not slated to become a rarity because of the variation from today's spelling of Mississippi.

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PHILATELIC NEWSPAPER

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L. F. TURLEY

Within the last several months we have noticed a definite trend on the part of many dealers to question us on "what is the right approach to the customer." We wish that we could answer that question to the fullest satisfaction of all concerned. The answer is not within our power to give, nor do we think it lies within the power of any group of persons. Salesmanship is one of the most attractive and profitable businesses on the market today. We quote an old axiom "Make a better mouse trap and the world will beat a path to your door." That quote covers the field of advertising as well as the original intention.

There is no set method of selling! It takes thought, study, and a long method of trial and error to bring into focus, the rights and wrongs of your ideas. The best method that we know off hand to follow is: "Place yourself in the readers place, answer the questions that are most likely to be asked, and sell gently but firmly. Do not knock him down with a must-buy attitude." Remember that you are selling to a person that is catering to his hobby, whim, indulgence, or what have you. For every item you have to sell, there are a dozens dealers that handle the same thing that you do, and maybe twice as fast, with more service. Just better your service, place a part of yourself in each piece of correspondence that goes out to your customer and above all remember that the collector can do without you as there is always another dealer to turn to. The collector is human and deserves to be treated as such. In turn, the collector should remember that the dealer is human also and deserves full-est of cooperation.

Thinking back a few years, we remember while dealing in stamps, the many times that collectors asked some of the most ridiculous questions. At least to us, they appeared to be ridiculous at the time. But stop and consider the viewpoint of the collector. He is asking, to gain knowledge and not to make a nuisance of himself. At least not the majority of them. The effort of answering the question may be very trying but not too trying. Remember that your helpfulness may make a true full-time customer of him, if you will only handle him in the manner that he likes to be handled.

Helpful Hints

We can think of nothing better to assist the dealers today in their many approaches to the subject of advertising than to point out to them the "Stamp Wholesaler", which carries a column by Henry Goller, trying to teach the dealer. It is worthwhile reading and it points out many of the vital factors of advertising today. It will never hurt anyone to read it. Try them out, it just might be what you are looking for now.

May we state here, that although this is not a regular type of editorial that the readers like, we are trying to bring about a closer relationship between collector and dealer than seems to exist today. With all the world before us to see daily, it is friendship that is the strongest factor now. If the world in general had more friendship toward its fellow man, we would not be faced with our international

problems today. We must remember that in advertising and business, whether it is selling balloons or stamps, that the human element has to be considered, for us, the lowly mortal, to make a lasting impression.

The main thing of all advertising as we see it, be concise, use simple language, and do not crowd your copy to the extent that it is burdensome or tiring to read. As much as you would like to state a story in the space of one inch, try and visualize it in the space of two inches and then leave it alone but double the size. You then have a better looking ad, a better chance of having it read, and most of all, a chance of it being better understood.

If we may borrow the words of Henry Goller in the Stamp Wholesaler in the issue of March 10, quote "Make it so simple that a child will understand," said Abraham Lincoln, "then no one will misunderstand." That he practiced what he preached is well illustrated in the Gettysburg address which contained only 270 words—190 of them being of but one syllable. Unquote.

To any dealer who might read this, we would like to offer a helping hand, if we may. We would like to hear from new dealers as well as old, and we will try our utmost to help you with your problems. If we do not answer your letters right off, remember that your problems will be handled if we can possibly do so, but the paper must go out first. Although we are pushed to the limit to make deadlines on copy, we shall try to take the time to find out the answers if we have it within our ability. Give it a try, maybe we can help. Above all try this paper for best results, our readers like it and we want them to get the best obtainable, so give them a chance to see what you have to offer.

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VOX POP

Linn's Weekly Stamp News
Box 379, Sidney, Ohio.

Ever so often the philatelic press has picked up the Broncho Charlie Miller fantasy which endeavors to link him with the original Pony Express service; the latest is a readable letter signed by A. C. Mason and published in Vox Pop.

With all due respect to Mr. Mason, and to Broncho Charlie, who as Mr. Mason says, "is in fine health... mind in as acute a state as it was twenty-five years ago," the association of this old fellow with the Pony Express is hardly fair to any honest recording of historical fact.

Some years ago, when I was doing research for an article on the Pony Express, Broncho Charlie was called to my attention and I visited with him in a boarding house on East Twenty-ninth Street, New York, and through judicious questioning about the Pony Service, I came away convinced that the closest he came to it was the part of a pony express rider he enacted for the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show. Broncho Charlie was able to recall all sorts of details of his youth and even rattled off names and places, but when I asked him other questions relating to fact recorded in the Russell Majors, Waddell and Wells-Fargo histories which I'd previously consulted he was entirely unable to recall experiences. His statements as to dates when he rode were completely contradictory. Apparently Broncho Charlie had read and saturated himself with highlight reports of the service but got mixed up on details or else never even knew they existed. According to the Mason letter you published Charlie was eleven. According to what Charlie told me, he was eight! He told me where he was born and I checked with the records office of the town: no birth record existed!

Further indications that the Broncho Charlie Miller story was not fact are supported by a law suit which Madison Square Garden met somewhere around 1939-1940 concerning the misrepresentation of billing Miller as a Pony Express Rider and which was settled in favor of the negative contention.

As I mentioned before Broncho Charlie is a good old fellow, but let there be a difference between fantasy of the imagination and what goes into history!

Sincerely,

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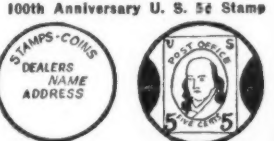
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South African Collectors Resolve On Gum Elimination

At the Congress of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa held in East London, the following Resolution was adopted: "Congress is of the opinion that in view of the danger known to exist due to the re-action of gum, unused stamps with the gum washed off should be classified as mint stamps and there should be no difference in value for stamps with or without gum."

This resolution is perhaps not worded as well as it might have been but is meant to express the adherence of many of the leading Stamp collectors in Southern Africa to the world-wide movement in favor of unused stamps being collected with the gum washed off.

The principal reason for this movement is because of the acknowledged risk of many stamps being ruined in the not very distant future if they are kept with the gum left on them.

It is realized that it is impossible to advise collectors immediately to wash the gum off all their unused stamps so long as the present disproportionate prices rule as between those with original gum and those without it.

Also, it is hoped, however, that the principle may be universally adopted before the day it is forced on collectors by their stamps being ruined through the action of the gum on the paper.

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Many of the collectors interested in United States stamps are going to welcome the announcement that the Bureau Issues Association has compiled the series of articles that have been appearing in the "Bureau Specialist," official organ of the group about the electric eye markings on stamps. Combined in one group these articles now appear in the booklet, "Electric Eye Terminology."

This booklet has two missions to perform. One, to standardize the terminology to be applied to this phase of collecting, and two, to inform the collector of United States stamps all that there is to know about electric eye markings, the plate layouts, a study of the perforating machines equipped with the electric eyes, and a history of the application of the electric eye for the perforating of stamps from the beginning on.

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ARKANSAS. How many of you have found the 5/8c Wine stamp (W3) with the vertical 9½ rouletting in black? It will be W3a. Applegate sends the cute little 5c red Cigarette stamps, on green safety card, surcharged "6c" in blue. He also sends the new 6c stamp which is identical with the old 5c stamp except for the value.

KANSAS. The new 3c Cigarette stamps have begun to appear. I have a 3c green stamp, 14x 10½mm, with the sunflower at the upper left and the value at the lower right. Mitchner's signature continues on these stamps.

LOUISIANA. The large green, black and white Export Liquor decal has been found by Frank Applegate on yellow safety card instead of the plain yellow card as listed in the Hubbard catalog. The stamp is rouletted 8 and does not have the internally perforated circle like the stamp listed as EL1. This stamp will be EL1a.

NEBRASKA. Surprises for today (I am in Omaha) were—The 1944 Wine stamps with "McEachern" signature as chairman (two dashes below the signature). Fortified: 5c, 20c and 40c blue. These stamps escaped collectors then current, so will likely be very scarce and obtainable only in used condition. The state will sell to collectors but will not keep them informed of new issues, so it's easy for some to slip by now and then.

On looking the stamps over carefully I found that the initials of each signature on the stamps are in the curved designs at the right and left of the stamp!! A close look at the only old issue available showed the same feature on it!!

Stamps which I have seen at the new rate (without "ATP" overprint) are—Liquor: 6¼c, 10c, 12½c and 20c. (The new 10c is now for 1/10 gal. and the 20c for 1/5 gal. and are so inscribed.); Fortified Wine—5½c blue and dark blue. The designs are the same as those which were overprinted "ATP" (Additional Tax Paid). Unlike other states which changed rates, Nebraska did not make dealers pay an additional tax on stock already on hand.

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New England Club Hears Talk On "Black Jacks"

Just recently the members and the guests of "Ye Olde King's Highway Stamp Club" of Noroton, Conn. had the opportunity of hearing Ignatz Reiner tell about his most outstanding collection of "Black Jacks". Those in attendance also had the opportunity of seeing this well known collection, since Mr. Reiner used it to illustrate his talk.

The club is now in its 20th year of existence, and has about 50 members on its rolls. President of the group is Gordon Wheeler, the secretary-treasurer, Frank T. Plowman. Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the St. Luke's Parish House, Noroton, Conn. All collectors are invited to visit with the club at this time.

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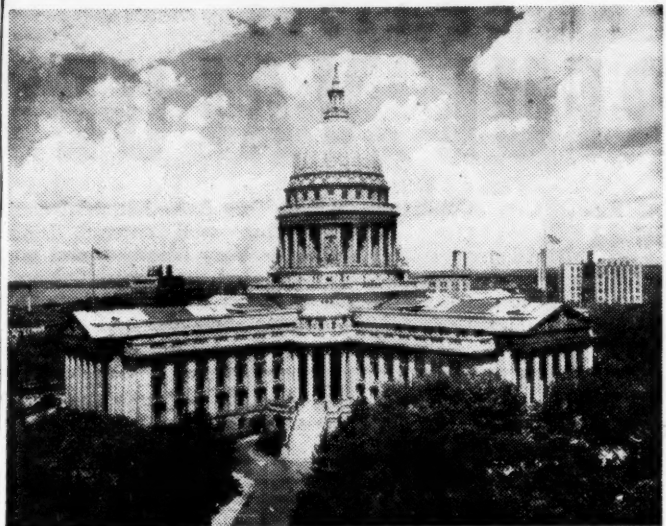
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The State Capitol At Madison

1848-WISCONSIN-1948

by H. M. BREHM
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Wisconsin was "discovered" by French explorers in 1634. They had "discovered" Michigan previously, in 1613, and 21 years later they ventured forth across the unknown waters of Lake Michigan, and eventually Jean Nicolet and party stepped ashore near Green Bay. Nicolet is eulogized as the first white man to set foot on Wisconsin soil. He was followed by other explorers, as Marquette, La Salle, De Soto, Hennepin, who penetrated farther and farther West, until in 1673 Father Joliet found the father of waters, the mighty Mississippi river, which forms the western boundary. After George Rogers Clark's decisive victory at Fort Sackville, near Vincennes, in 1779, the extensive Northwest Territory, as it was called, fell to the Colonies. Wisconsin was a part of this vast domain. After its first division in 1800, Wisconsin remained as a parcel of the smaller Indiana Territory. After a second split-up, Wisconsin became the western half of Michigan Territory. Finally, in 1848, Wisconsin became a State of the Union in its own right. The centennial of this event is being celebrated and commemorated this year.

1848-1948
During its century of Statehood, Wisconsin has been variously rated and extolled as leader in the production of wheat, corn, oats, barley, potatoes and sugar-beets; in the production of cattle, sheep, horses and swine; in the manufacture of hardware and tools, heavy machinery, lumber-products, leather, beer and textiles; in meat-packing and sausage making. Her 100-year old State Seal shows the figures of a seafaring man with a coil of rope and a miner with a pick. But in the past quarter century there remains little doubt that Wisconsin's chief industry now is the production of milk, cheese and all dairy items.

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In 1946 Wisconsin produced 15,684,000,000 pounds of whole milk—if such a figure in billions is comprehensible, and can be digested.) If the figure cannot be digested, at least every ounce of the milk can (and that's no pun). Of this output only 800 million pounds went out of state. The remaining 1 billion pounds were

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is seeded to timothy, alfalfa and clover for winter feeding.
Every second cross-road in Central Wisconsin has its one-man, one-family cheese or butter factory. Most small towns harbor a neat 3-story milk condensary with a hundred windows. The largest single milk condensary in America is located in a city of 8600 population. As milk is so great and important a part of the State's well-being and industry, it must go through every day, rain or shine, like the United States mail. My grandfather used to tell me that a cow with milk knew nothing about Sundays.

At the first sign of bad weather or snow, the county plows are ready to go. Sometimes they must work the long night through so that the roads from farmer to factory and condensary may be opened at the crack of dawn or earlier in winter, to haul that all-important milk, which will not keep. Some 10,000 trucks, painted white, travel over the State's highways and byways each day to transport that priceless fluid-food, whole milk. Wisconsin has a population of some 3,300,000 happy people, of whom a great proportion lead a strenuous but remunerative life as farmers and dairymen.

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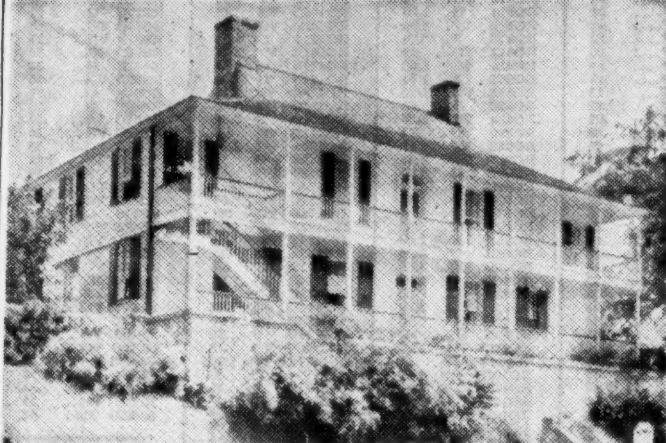
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Everyone Turned Out For The First Day Celebration Of The Mississippi Stamp At Natchez

by Oliver V. Austin

Early morning on April 7, found me well on my way to Natchez from my home town of Hattiesburg, to partake of and to enjoy the festivities connected with the first day issue of the Mississippi Territorial Sesquicentennial commemorative stamp. There was a promise of much civic celebration, and I also wanted to take in the different details of a first day stamp sale as put on by the Post Office Department. I reached the post office at Natchez shortly after nine o'clock in the morning and found that a line of stamp minded people had already formed at the windows. It seemed as if everyone wanted Mississippi stamps. One window was devoted exclusively to the sale of the commemoratives, although all windows had them for sale. The bulk package mailing door had a huge laundry basket beneath it and as fast as one became filled with covers another was rolled in its place.

In the basement of the post office, two long rooms equipped with large tables were used by probably fifty people who were sticking stamps to the covers sent in by collectors from every state in the Union. As fast as baskets were filled with the stamped covers, they were taken into a large adjoining room where on two machine cancellers, Post Office Department employees sent here from Washington for this job, were applying the first day of issue postmark.

These people stated that they had already been at work for several days prior to the actual first day, cancelling covers that were on hand, and having serviced about three hundred thousand to that time. Most of their efforts on the actual first day seem to have been used for the cancellation of "hand backs", covers which were cancelled at the personal request of collectors and others and then handed back to them as they came out of the cancellers.

I would like to put in a good word here and now for these operators. They went out of their way to accommodate people, showing the utmost courtesy and consideration in trying to satisfy all the whims and fancies of the cover fans I believe that every collector was satisfied with the service, even though at times some of the requests were ridiculously funny. But they got what they wanted. These folks who worked so well to provide the first day

cancellations for collectors should be given all the thanks that collectors can heap upon them.

On the post office lawn, many booths had been set up by the cover dealers, offering cacheted covers bearing their own art or that of another firm in the business. One could buy first day covers for many years back, as well as envelopes and cancelled covers for the present occasion. Cacheted envelopes were on hand also for some of the future first day events, such as for the Wisconsin, Four Chaplains, the Francis Scott Key and others. Besides that, nearly every store carried a supply of the Mississippi first day covers, whether they regularly sold groceries, furniture or what have you.

I had the pleasure of watching one big cover dealer in action. He had engaged two rooms in a local hotel where sixteen people under his direction were applying stamps to the covers for his customers. His grand total for the day was approximately 40,000 covers.

The Civic celebration took place on Ellicott's Hill at Connelly's Tavern at 12:30 p. m. The entire hill and the Tavern, which was built in 1795, was bought and restored by the Natchez Garden Club, who now use it as their clubhouse. Today, each room and its appointments are exactly as they were during the time that this tavern was the mecca of the travelers of that day.

This formal gathering had as the presiding master of ceremonies, Dr. William D. M. McCain, Curator of the Department of Archives and History of the State of Mississippi, and Chairman of the celebration committee. After the invocation by the Rev. Stuart Henry, Lucein C. Gwin, Mayor of Natchez delivered the welcoming address.

Later a presentation album containing the first sheet of the Mississippi stamp was presented to the representative of Governor Fielding Wright who did not find it possible to be on hand. Third Assistant Postmaster General Lawler, stated in a short talk that due to the publicity given this stamp, and because of its historical significance, that he believed that the first day covers serviced would set a new record in that department. He remarked that the Department has asked for a printing of 110 million of the stamps.

Color was added to the day's festivities by citizens who had dressed in Colonial costumes for this day, and who were found everywhere. These same persons

helped to direct the visitors to the places of interest in the city, and also escorted them through Connelly's Tavern.

As far as it was possible to tell, all four positions of plate numbers 23802 and 23804 were available to collectors, and many of them took advantage of the opportunity to prepare covers on which all the positions of these two numbers were cancelled. All in all it was an eventful day, and enjoyed to the fullest.

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May 2, 3, 4—Southern Missionary College Stamp Club, Collegedale, Tenn. Exhibition at the College. Chmn. Robert Roach, Collegedale, Tenn.

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May 21, 22—Kentuckiana, Masonic Temple, Jeffersonville, Ind. Chmn. A. N. Estes, 108 Kentucky Ave., Louisville, Ky.

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740 1c Parks	.25	.15	879 1c Foster	.30	.25
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744 5c Parks	1.20	.65	889 3c Morse	.30	.25
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747 8c Parks	2.20	.82	897 3c Wyoming	.60	.50
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By Carl P. Rueh

It happened again, just like it always seems to do with each new stamp that is issued. This time a town in Minnesota (which I won't disclose for fear of getting the postmaster in bad) released the Mississippi stamp on or before April 5. The actual first day date was April 7 from the official first day city, Natchez, Miss. Russell Sandvig of St. Paul, Minn. saw the early use of the stamp and reported it to me.

1. The first issue of airmail stamps was made in 1918. There were three values issued. Give the value and the design found on each of the stamps.

2. The Famous Graf Zeppelin issue of 1930 had three stamps of 65c, \$1.30 and \$2.60 value. All three pictured the "Graf" in flight. In which direction, left or right, is the zeppelin flying, and which stamps have either a map or a globe on them?

The Cleveland Airmail Society is another group that has passed a resolution asking for a stamp to be issued in honor of Wilbur and Orville Wright. The club suggests further that a picture of the original Kittyhawk plane be included in the design, that it be of 5c denomination and that it be issued this year on the 45th anniversary of the flight of 1903 which would occur near mid-December.

Just in case you are in the habit of getting special delivery letters, you will remember that you had to sign the carriers receipt on delivery. This little formality has been abandoned by the POD as of April 5. Henceforth, the mail will be handed to the person direct with nothing to sign, or if not at home or at the place designated in the address, the letter will be placed in the mail box.

RECOMMENDED READING:
The Bureau Issues Association has recently released a booklet, "Electric Eye Terminology" which explains and gives a history of the electric eye for the guidance of sheets of stamps through the perforating machines. Anyone at all interested in the stamps of the United States should have the information contained in this booklet. It sells for 50c from the editor of the "Bureau Specialist," R. A. Bryant, West Somerville 44, Mass.

There seems to have been a lot of the CIPEX Souvenir Sheets used for postage ever since they were issued. Several possible reasons exist for this, apparently the most important of which is the fact that a fairly large number of these sheets had paper creases running through the stamps and which creases would cause the sheets to be worth much less than those without them. Check the sheets that you have now, and if you find ones with creases replace them with good ones from the Philatelic Agency where they are still current. The ones that you have are nice postage items to your favored friends who can remove

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Is it actually necessary for a collector to own a perforation gauge for the actual collection of stamps, was a recent question. The answer is yes, if you want to collect them well and intelligently. And that does not mean one of the paper "give aways" that dealers and others pass out now and again as advertising favors. To be of any use the gauge must be accurate, and so must be made of a more permanent substance than paper. Good gauges come on steel, brass, aluminum and plastic and sell from 25c on up.

The experienced collector can identify all the varieties bearing the designs of the 1922-25 issue for regular postage, the ones that were current before the Presidential series now in use. The entire series when first issued was perf 11, and printed on the flat presses. Then the 1c and the 2c designs were found perf 11x10 on rotary press coil waste. Then the series from 1c to 10c was found with a perf 10 on rotary printed sheets. Following this, the 1c and the 2c values appeared perf 11 on rotary press printed stamps. Lastly, the values from 1c to 10c appeared from the rotary presses with 11 x 10 1/2 perforations.

Since the 1c and the 2c stamps are used in the millions, and seem to have been the ones experienced collectors with the most, let's check catalog values for these two classified by their perfs.

Perf	1c	2c	Used	1c	2c
11 Flat	1.50	6.00	3.50	3.50	3.50
11 1/2 Rot	.45	.10	.18	.62	.62
10 Rot	.45	.10	.18	.62	.62
11 Rot	.45	.10	.18	.62	.62
11 x 10 1/2 Rot	.63	.02	.05	.02	.02

That should be a convincing enough argument for the use of a perforation gauge. Persons who have handled thousands of stamps of the above two designs can spot most of the stamps by the color of the inks, or the spacing of the perfs as they hit the eye, but even so, the experts have the perf gauge handy to check their eyesight.

All gauges should have a millimeter scale on them also, for this measurement is used many times to determine the width or length of a stamp so that it can be placed in the flat or rotary press category. Perforations are quoted in the number of holes that fall between a distance of 2 centimeters. The top perforation is given first, and that on the side next. Thus 11x10 1/2 means that the perfs along the top of a stamp are 11, and along the side, 10 1/2.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: If one were to see the collections of 100 different persons selected at random from the ranks of United States enthusiasts, chances are that about 97 of them would be so near alike and contain the same stamps as to be monotonous. So wouldn't it be fine for the 97 to think of some unique way in which they could make their collections outstanding? Collecting various cancellations, or uses of the stamps is a starter, and only one of many ideas that could be used at slight expense, but if followed and studied might make the collector an expert in a given field. A sure way of being outstanding is to know and write about each of the stamps, or series of stamps that you have, and to place this write-up neatly in the album. Too many collectors buy a stamp today, put it in their albums, and never know the story of the commemoration or the person or scene depicted thereon.

Answer time again.

1. The values were 6c, Orange; 16c, Green and 24c, Carmine Rose and Blue. The design on all were the same, showing a mail/airplane in flight.

2. The Graf on the 65c stamp was flying to the right; on the \$1.30, it was flying to the left over a map; and on the \$2.60 it was flying to the left in front of a globe.

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Special cachets will be provided for Clovis and Tucumcari, and the usual treatment of philatelic mail will be authorized. First flight air mail covers sent to the Postmasters at Clovis and Tucumcari, New Mexico, should be accompanied by a letter authorizing the holding of the covers for the first flight and requesting the application of the cachet. Space approximately 2 1/2 by 2 1/2 inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachet.

At the request of collectors desiring backstamps, covers receiving cachets will be given directional service to a terminal or junction point designated by the Regional Superintendent, Air Postal Transport, and served by the first flight in each direction.

Although no official cachet will be authorized for Wilmington, Lubbock, Albuquerque, Las Vegas and Santa Fe, souvenir covers received by the Postmasters at these offices and by the District Superintendent, District No. 6, Railway Mail Service, Albuquerque, N. Mex., for the Air Mail Field, Albuquerque, will be dispatched to first flights, if practicable.

The Post Office Department also announced that on or about April 25, air mail service will be inaugurated at Baltimore, Maryland, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Worcester, Massachusetts, and Scranton-Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, on Route AM-2.

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hold familiars. Maybe you're a man who enjoys a quiet bottle of beer in the evening and probably serves it at the bridge table or down in the rum-pus-room. Chances are about 50-50 that it was brewed in Wisconsin, where four of the largest breweries in the world are situated. I read an advertisement in a national magazine recently, by one of these breweries, stating that upon completion of their new bottle-house, they would fill 1 1/2 million bottles with my favorite brand each day. Multiply that figure by four and add all the beer that is not bottled but sold in kegs and barrels, and you should arrive at some dizzy figure about Wisconsin's output.

Another probability is that the aforesaid bridge table, or breakfast set, or radio-cabinet originated here, for in this State is centered the better plywood industry of the country—plywoods made from birch, maple, oak, bass—the hardwoods that grow here.

Too, the better shoes that you and your wife wear for Sundays are probably made in part at least, from Wisconsin leather. Before the war the state boasted of the largest tannery in America. And if your youngsters wear elk-skin shoes, a certain well known brand is made in the very heart of the State.

Maybe you were fortunate enough to eat meat these last few months. Don't blame Wisconsin, exactly, for the prices you had to pay and pay and pay. Although John Plankinton started the first public meat-butcher here in 1844, followed by the first meat packing plant of Patrick Cudahy in 1874, only one of the Big Four packers now holds forth in this State.

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Although the committee consists of senators, assemblymen, district leaders, departmental heads, also one governor and one university president, the chairman early announced that the committee would be entirely non-political, and that all decisions would be strictly of the people, by the people and for the people.

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Value of the stamp is 10 mills. The inscription "CICC-LE CAIRE," signifies, "Commission Internationale Congress Cotton - At Cairo" Victor I. Costa of Port Said, Egypt supplied the information about this issue.

THIRTY YEARS

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Company decided to build its own special mail planes. Twenty-five Boeing 40-A's, capable of carrying 1,600 pounds, including the pilot, two passengers, baggage and mail at a cruising speed of 105 miles an hour, were turned out of the Boeing plant in just 150 days. These planes reduced transcontinental time to almost 32 hours—with 14 stops en route for refueling.

In 1933, United sharply cut flying time across the nation when it introduced the first all-metal, low-wing, twin-engine transport planes, the Boeing 247's. These were capable of carrying 10 passengers, two pilots, a stewardess, baggage, mail and express at a speed of almost three miles a minute. They flew from coast to coast in 19 1/2 hours.

Still seeking greater speed with increased loads of mail, express and passengers, United next introduced the Douglas DC-3 Mainliner 180's. These planes cut flying time across the continent to 16 hours.

As a result of pre-World War II plane development and wartime improvements, United in 1945 placed in operation four-engined Douglas DS-4 Mainliner 230's. Speed was stepped up to nearly four miles a minute and increased cargo space made it possible to carry more and more mail.

Last year with introduction of even larger and faster planes, the five-mile-a-minute Douglas DC-6 Mainliner 300's, flight time between New York and San Francisco was lowered to 10 hours; between San Francisco and Honolulu to 9 1/2 hours; between Seattle and Chicago to 9 hours; between Chicago and New York to less than 3 hours, and between Los Angeles and New York to 9 1/4 hours.

Today's Mainliner 300's have a carrying capacity of 6,000 pounds of mail or other cargo—quite a contrast to the old Jennies which could handle only a little over 100 pounds.

In less than half of man's "three score and ten" life span, the original 218-mile air mail route has grown to 130,000 miles of domestic routes, plus miles of U. S. flag international routes which reach to every country on the globe. The approximately 3,000,000 letters which went by air between May 15 and December 31, 1918 grew to 772,185,070 pieces of domestic air mail for fiscal 1947. The eight planes flying the mail 30 years ago have multiplied to 800 operated by domestic scheduled airlines. And in today's fastest planes, nearly one-third of the country can be spanned in the three hours it took to fly between New York and Washington.

And what's next in the air mail picture? Airline officials believe that, not long from now, all first-class mail moving distances of over 400 miles will take to the air; also, that domestic air parcel post will be established just as international air parcel post recently made its debut. Both the President's Air Policy Board and the Congressional Air Policy Board recommended legislation that all first class mail go by air and that domestic air parcel post be established.

Capt. E. Hamilton Lee, one of the men who flew the original New York-Washington air mail route, today is a 27,000-hour pilot of United Air Lines—and with a son, Robert, serving as a captain for the same company. This two-generation flying team epitomizes perhaps better than anything else the astonishing growth of scheduled flying in just 30 years.

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1948 CALPEX



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22 ★ 10c orange yel. #510, marg. sheet 3, pl. #304, OG, F. 3.50
23 ★ 13c Apple grn. #513 blk 4, OG, Fine. 3.50
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25 ★ 50c Red viol. #517, blk 4 with pl. #7049, pfs close top OG. 9.00
26 ★ 2c Carm. offset #526 (2), 526C, 3 blks 4, latter SE, OG average to Fine. 5.75
27 ★ 2c Carm. type Va, #526a, 16 OG cps. avg cond. few SE. 6.40
28 ★ Cover with blk 4, #532, 2 sgls 548, cat. as sgls. 10.00
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35 ★ Norse Amer. 2c Car. & black #620 blk. 4, OG, Fine. 2.75
36 ★ Norse Amer. 5c blue & black, #621 center line blk. and 4 arrow blocks gum removed. 76.00
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39 ★ Ericsson #628, 5c gray lilac, blk 4, OG Fine. 5.50
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42 ★ White Plains and Vermont #629, 645 (5), 7 blks 4 one str. edge, OG, Fine. 6.90
43 ★ 82 plates and blks. 17 sgls. OG, bet. #632-941, avg-Fine. 38.03
44 ★ Burgoyne 2c #644, pl. blk 6, Fine. 4.00
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46 ★ Aero. 2c-5c, #649-50 blks 4, OG F-VF. 4.15
47 ★ Aero. 2c-5c, #649-50 blks 4, OG F-VF. 4.60
48 ★ Same as above. 4.60
49 ★ Wash. Bicent. #704-15, 13 OG sets cpl. avg-Fine. 5.85
50 ★ Kosciuszko #734, 50 used copies, few SE. 4.00
51 ★ Miniature sheets, #735, 750-51, 778, 797, OG Fine-VF. 5.70
52 ★ 16c air spec. del. imperf. blk. 4 and sgl. 7.15
53 ★ Army-Navy pl. blks. #785-94, F-VF. 5.50
54 ★ Parks 10c imperf. #765, pl. blk 6, VF. 2.75
55 ★ Virginia Dair #796, 25 used copies, few SE. 3.10
56 ★ Wash. Inauguration #854, 100 used cps. some SE. 3.00
57 ★ Statehood #858, 100 used copies, F-VF. 3.00
58 ★ Pony Express #894, 50 used copies. 3.00
59 ★ China American 5c #906 39 used copies, avg to Fine. 6.84
60 ★ Conference 5c, #928, 100 used cps. F-VF. 6.40
61 ★ 16c Blue Spec. Del. CEI, pl. of 6, Fine OG. 2.50
62 ★ 16c Red & blue air, CE2, cent. line, blk 4, 2.75
63 ★ Large "RF" ovpt. on C25, 6c Carm. Stolor guarantee.
64 ★ Sm. "RF" ovpt. on C25, 6c Carm. Stolor guarantee.
65 ★ C25 with small ovpt "RF" (earlier type) probably Casablanca mailed from S. S. Richelle. Fine Est. net 30.00
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68 ★ Same as above. Est. net 30.00
69 ★ Same as above. Est. net 30.00
70 ★ Same as above. Est. net 30.00
71 ★ Parcel Post Q1-Q12, used set, 50c precancel, avg-Fine 11.47
72 ★ Sherman Cols., Bet. 1912-17, 35 stamps, dups. 9.40

SHEETS

- 73 ★ White Plains Sheet of 100 #629, Avg-Fine. 32.00+
74 ★ White Plains Miniature sheet of 25 #630 OG Fine. 25.00
75 ★ Same as above. 25.00
76 ★ Wh. Plains Min. sheet 25, #630 OG avg-Fine. 25.00
77 ★ Same as above. 32.00+
78 ★ White Plains Sheet of 100 #629, as sgls. 3.50+
79 ★ Roosevelt #930-931 Sheet of 50 each. as sgls. 3.50+
80 ★ Same as above. as sgls. 3.50+
81 ★ Roosevelt #933-5c sheet of 50. as sgls. 4.00+
82 ★ Same as above. 4.00

REVENUES — POSSESSIONS, ETC.

- 83 ★ Postal Savings P515, \$5.00 Sepia, Mint, OG. 7.50
84 ★ U. S. Revenues, R65, 81, 85, 88, 95, used Good to Fine. 4.45
85 ★ Document, Rev. #R355, series 1942 \$30, red, strip 4, F.
86 ★ Document, series 1942, R355, \$30 red, pf. init. damag.
87 ★ Document, Rev. #R380, series 1943, \$30 red, ctd. can.
88 ★ Doc. Rev. #R382, series 1943, \$60 red, corner off UR.
89 ★ Auto use tax #R442 \$5.00 green, unused OG. 7.50
90 ★ Revs. Tobacco tin foil entires (5), also 4 ass't cigarette and Sports—9 in all.
91 ★ Local, Bloods Penny post, 1c Black—used. 1.50
92 ★ Philippines, 214, 216-218, 222, reg. issues, used—fine. 3.90
93 ★ Philippines, 233, 235, 270, 279, used sgls. Fine. 4.75
94 ★ Philippines 393, 396, 401, OI, O4—all used sgls. F-VF. 8.75
95 ★ Philippines #472, 8c violet, handstamped "Victory". Bottom Trimmed.

ASSORTED FOREIGN, BRITISH, ETC.

- 96 ★ Albania, displaced & invtd ovpts, 12 blks 4; OG all diff.
97 ★ Argentina 1930, 10F red brn & blue, #390 ctd to Left, used single. 7.00
98 ★ Austria, Lombard-Venetia #78, F-VF. 11.70
99 ★ Austria, #326-329, 1929 issues, 11 val. used bal. OG, F-VF. 7.50
100 ★ #354-70, 372-375, 21 vals, last val. used bal. OG, F-VF. 22.50
101 ★ #2s Dull green #371, OG VF. 7.50
102 ★ #378-379, 3c orange, 5c brn. black, OG, VF. 7.50
103 ★ 10s Dullfuss issue, OG, VF. 75.00
104 ★ Musician semi-postal #B50-56, OG few gum creases. Appears Fine to Very Fine. 6.45
105 ★ #B57-65, used set, F-VF. 6.75
106 ★ Semi-Post. #B66-70, OG, F-VF. 10.00
107 ★ Semi-Post. B71-76, B77-80, Nibelungen and Hainish issues, OG, VF. 8.55
108 ★ Miklas issue Semi-post. #B1-86, OG F-VF. 9.00
109 ★ Semi-Post. #B87-92, Rot. Conv. iss. each stamp Tied on piece of cover. 30.00
110 ★ Semi-Post. #B93-92 Poets, OG, VF. 15.00
111 ★ Semi-Post. #B99 Chancellor Seiger, OG, VF. 18.00
112 ★ Semi-Post. Artist issue, #B100-105, OG, VF. 18.00
113 ★ Semi-Post. Ski Concoursse iss. B106-109, OG VF. 46.00
114 ★ Semi-Post. #B110, WIPA issue OG, VF. 30.00
115 ★ Semi-Post. #B112-117, Relief of Vienna, issue OG VF. 30.00
116 ★ Austria, Semi-P. #B118-121, 1933 Winterhs. issue OG VF. 4.25
117 ★ Semi-P. B122-127, Architects issue OG, VF. 18.00
118 ★ Semi-P. 1935 Winterhs. #B128-131 OG VF. 4.10
119 ★ Semi-P. #B132-137, Heroes issue, OG VF. 15.00
120 ★ Semi-P. #B138-141, Ski Concoursse iss. OG, VF. 14.00
121 ★ 1936-37, Winterhs. iss. B142-45, B182-185, 2 cpl sets OG, Very Fine. 5.75
122 ★ 1936 Inventors B146-151 Cpl set OG, VF. 6.00
123 ★ 1937, Physicians B156-164, Cpl set OG, VF. 9.25
124 ★ Air Post, C4-11, one val. OG, bal. used, VF. 6.40

CONDITION OF SALE

- The terms of sale are strictly cash to the highest bidder. All buyers are expected to make payment on delivery of lots, unless credit has been established prior to the date of sale. Persons unknown to us, may submit commercial references of Philatelic Society membership number with bids.
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DESCRIPTIONS

Very Fine (V.F.)—Well centered, without fault.
Fine (F)—Sound copy, slight deviation from V. F.
Good (G)—About average, heavily cancelled or poorly centered.
Defective—Lots containing defective items are specified.
O.G.—Original Gum, N.H.—Never Hinged, *—Unused, ○—Used, ⊕—Block 4, S.E.—Straight Edge, T—Top, L—Left, B—Bottom, R—Right, U—Upper, ⊖—Cover, Imp.—Imperf.

- 125 ★ Air Post, 925-30, C12-22, Cpl. set OG VF. 6.90
126 ★ Airs C23-30, Cpl. set OG, VF. 15.50
127 ★ Airs C31, 10s Brown OG VF. 4.50
128 ★ 1935 Airs, 5c-10c C32-46, cpl. set OG VF. 12.86
129 ★ 1911 Post. Dues #345, 346 5k viol. & 10k vol. OG VF 16.60
130 ★ Post. Dues #118-131, cpl. set OG, VF. 7.18
131 ★ Post. Dues 1935, #J159-174 cpl. OG VF. 9.35
132 ★ Bet. 1921-1947, 11 sets incl. reg. iss. semi-postal, airs, occupation, OG, F-VF. 13.70
133 ★ Azores, 100F Liliac #6, VF margins. 30.00
134 ★ Bermuda, #36-48, 48a, unused OG F-VF (14 stamps) 11.47
135 ★ #49-52, 2sh-5sh 4 stamps, F-VF OG. 14.25
136 ★ #49-52, 2sh-5sh, 4 stamps, F-VF, OG. 14.25
137 ★ #52, 5sh red and green, used, fine copy. 3.50
138 ★ #54, £1, black and violet, VF, OG. 16.50
139 ★ #94-95, 2sh-2shp F-VF, OG. 5.00
140 ★ #94, 95B, 2sh-3sh sp, OG VF. 5.00
141 ★ #94, 95B, 2sh-2shp (2) VF, OG. 7.00
142 ★ #97, 10sh red and green, VF OG. 12.00
143 ★ Canada, 10F blue #2, fine in Rt. part of stamp. 20.00
144 ★ #97-98, 10sh-12shp VF OG. 32.00
145 ★ #127, 12shp 10 copies, all Rev. cancel.
146 ★ Brazil, 1940, 496a-498a, N.Y. Worlds Fair, Commem sheet of 10 each, OG, VF. 35.00
147 ★ British Colon. Peace, 9c val. used, (source as used).
148 ★ British Solomon #80-81, Peace ss. 10 sets in 12 sheets 7.20
149 ★ Canada, 10F blue #2, fine in Rt. part of stamp. 65.00
150 ★ Bet. 14-131, Majority used, on large approval cards. 86 values, some defects. 105.87
151 ★ 1859 17c blue #19, perfs in rt. & bot. fine appear. 8.50
152 ★ #66-73, unused & used, latter two used, some things 5.81
153 ★ #74-84, Majority used, few unused some defects. 9.69
154 ★ #85-94, 9c val. used, 1st val. unused, few defects. 13.00
155 ★ #92-94, 3c val. unused OG, F-VF. 13.00
156 ★ #95, 50c purple, no gum, slight hinge thin. 27.50
157 ★ Quebec issue 96-103, 8c val. few no gum, some def. 16.93
158 ★ #102-3, used, few imperfections. 8.50
159 ★ Reg. iss. 104-122, 20 vals. 2 vals used OG, F-VF. 9.14
160 ★ 135, 139-148, 149-158, 21 vals. unused OG, F-VF. 9.59
161 ★ 160, 190-192, 200, 227, 231-3c, cpl. set 97 vals. OG. Fine to Very Fine. 13.02
162 ★ 237, 275, 39 val. cpl. inc. war set, Coils etc. OG, VF 13.91
163 ★ C1, C3, CEI-4, EI-11, F1-18, M1-17, Majority unused, has few "A" #s, 55 values, Fine lot. 17.79
164 ★ Ceylon, 1P, blue #44, average copy. 12.00
165 ★ IR 12c, Claret, Revenue cancel, Fine. as reg. 2.00
166 ★ China, 496-498, 581-586, 10 sets of each, 8 val. used VF. 5.00
167 ★ Cyprus #143-146, 147A-147B, 148-55, 14 val. to 14 F-VF 12.92
168 ★ Czechoslovakia, Slovakia #2-18, 5H ultra, 3K, brown, 17 values, majority OG, F-VF. 13.20
169 ★ Czechoslovakia, Slovakia #22, 5K green, used, Fine. 8.00
170 ★ Czech., Semi-Post. B130-132, Red Cross issue, OG. 2.00
171 ★ Czech., Semi-Post. B133-36 Anniv. issue, cpl. OG VF. 8.75
172 ★ Czech., Slovakia, Post. dues, J1-2, 4, 5-12, all OG one stamp stained. 16.85
173 ★ Czech., Slovakia, P1-9, Newspaper stamp, OG VF set 4.95
174 ★ Danzig B28-32, Cpl. set OG F-VF. 5.75
175 ★ Denmark, 1851, 2Rg. blue, #1, part OG copy, margin cut in, Gum imperfections. 125.00
176 ★ Denmark #272a-274, Brit. Occ. Faroe Is. 3 vals. cpl VF 25.50
177 ★ Denmark #275-76, Brit. Occ. Faroe Is. cpl used VF 5.00
178 ★ Dom. Rep. 350 Vio. 3 peso carmine used, F-VF 25.36
179 ★ Dutch Indies #258-62, 4 cpl. sets in blks 4 OG VF. 25.36
180 ★ Egypt, Geo. Congress, #105-107, used sgl. F-VF. 8.50
181 ★ Egypt #240, £1 blue and brown, close top, as fine. 4.00
182 ★ Gambia 4sh, brown & black, #118, fine, town cancel. 5.50
183 ★ France, #226, Philatelic Exh. sheet 4, also 4 poster stamps, slight crease lower left. 15.00+
184 ★ France, OM, in Morocco, 35 used stamps epl. 4.14
185 ★ Germany, Airs C27-34, last stp, slight scrape, bal. VF 7.25
186 ★ Germany, Airs #C43 Chicago flight 1M. carmine used but slightly faded. 7.50
187 ★ Germany Air post, C46-56, 11 vals. cpl. ★ no gum, VF 6.11
188 ★ 3 Covers, inc. Gr. Brit. #3, 4, 33, 71, nice items. 12.00
189 ★ Cover with Gr. Brit. #3 cut to shape cancelled "Boston"
190 ★ Gr. Brit. 1P vermilion #203, cancel with Lion in black.
191 ★ Jamaica #108, 14 used copies, F-VF. 5.60
192 ★ Collection, Iceland 101 stamps, maj. used. 11.32
193 ★ Iraq, #14, O25, Mint Singles, F-VF. 3.25
194 ★ Liberia Airs, C17-20, 1st Liberia fl to US 4 vals. OG VF 30.00
195 ★ Liberia, 300, C41-43, Romania, 66-68, cpl. set OG F-VF 3.85
196 ★ Liechtenstein #110, 120 fr. red brown, used, Fine. 5.00
197 ★ Malta #142-143, 1shp, 2sh, latter perfs in OG. 3.00
198 ★ Malta #146, 5sh Green and black, Fine. 3.75
199 ★ Cover with Natal #66, 67, 71 all tied on, U. S. paid All cancel on reverse.
200 ★ Netherlands, 5c blue, 1A, 1B, 1C, 4 stamps, thin on ea. 16.50
201 ★ Netherlands, 10c Lake (2) 15c orange #2, 3-avg. to F 11.00
202 ★ Netherlands, 5c blue, 15c orange, #4, 5 (2) 1 val. used VF 11.85
203 ★ Netherlands 5c 50c #27-34, used average to fine. 15.50
204 ★ Netherlands #19-22, few no gum, average to fine. 8.35
205 ★ Netherlands 1g-2½g, #83, 84, used OG Fine. 5.25
206 ★ Niue, Cook, Samoa, Raratonga, ass't. 10 stps—OG F-VF 11.25
207 ★ Newfoundland, 1c brown #43, unused no gum, Fine. 2.75
208 ★ Newfoundland 12c blue, 15c scarlet #70-71, Fine. 3.25
209 ★ Newfoundland, 30c slate #72, as used, Fine. 3.50
210 ★ Nfld. #88 (18), 67 (10) 26 unused stamps full OG. 9.30
211 ★ Nfld. 3c brown, 5c ultra, #89, 91, as fine. 4.00
212 ★ Nfld., 5c ultra #108, 2 OG, copies Fine. 3.50
213 ★ Nfld., 8c, viol., 8c green #137-8, OG avg. to fine. 4.75
214 ★ Nfld., Coronation, #233-243, Long set OG, Fine. 5.27
215 ★ Nfld. San. 304, \$1 air, cpl. sheet 20, OG VF.
216 ★ Cover with New Zealand C1 (2), C3, Papua C2, 3, First air New Zealand-Papua VF. 6.50+
217 ★ Norway, 1900s, #27-30, Dia B, 8c 3 vals epl. used VF 29.50
218 ★ Norway, 1925 #104-110, Amundsen iss. cpl. set used 3.85
219 ★ Norway, #177-180, King Haakon issue, OG few stains 3.05
220 ★ Norway #203-206, 1940 issue, 4 val cpl. OG, VF. 4.25
221 ★ Norway, #B24, Norwegian Legion, 20 ore + 80 ore vermilion, OG, VF. 3.00
222 ★ Canal Zone, 1B viol. and black, #56 repair in upper left corner. Appears fine. 7.50
223 ★ Russia, #446-447, EI-3, used sgl. F-VF. 4.58
224 ★ Russia, #720-783 10 vals. cpl. 2.62
225 ★ Spain, Airs, Sanab. #196 blk 4, OG Fine. (San) 40.00
226 ★ Switzerland Airs C3-9, OG, VF. 5.70
227 ★ Switzerland Airs, C10-12, cpl. VF. 5.00
228 ★ Tasmania, 13-14, 16-3 "cut to shape"—as good. 8.50
229 ★ Trinidad & Tobago, #B1, Red Cross issue unused Cat. on cover only. 10.00
230 ★ Vatican City, #1-14, 54 14 values, unused OG, VF. 5.60
231 ★ Vatican City, Judicial Congress, #41-46, 6 vals cpl. Hard to find in used condition, VF. 9.30
232 ★ Vatican City, 26 cent green #9, OG. 3.00
233 ★ Vatican City, 68-71, 77-79, 80-83, 98-121, OI-7, Q6-15, B1-4, J1-6, unused, OG F-VF. 9.90

COVERS

- 234 ★ Lex. Concord set on 3 covers, Date 4-6-1925 #617-19 3.40
235 ★ 62 F.D. Covers, bet. 785-814, bet. C20-E18, blks 4, Some plates, incl. airs, Army-Navy etc. As sgls. 52.65+
236 ★ Farley, Spec. printing #53-763, incl opt. set Parks on First Day Covers, Legat. sig. hard to find. As sgls. 25.50+
237 ★ 16c Airs, Farley imperf. FD Cover in blk 4 difficult to find this way. As sgls. 9.00+
238 ★ First Day Covers, bet. 775-833, \$1 in all, majority blks 4, some plates, some dups. nice lot. As sgls. 22.50
239 ★ 61 F.D. Covers bet. 832-950 blks 4, some plates few duplicates. As sgls. 41.85+
240 ★ Fam. Amer. #259-96, cpl. set FD covers in blks 4 includes some plate blocks. 23.50
241 ★ Flags 900-21, 15 FD Covers in blks 4, some name blks Very Fine lot. 23.50
242 ★ 850 Covers, entire and part cut, with varied and some old uses of postage meters and Slogans.
243 ★ 230 Envelopes (Entires) 350-103, 2c-3c some 1½c, C-K.
244 ★ Hon. Discharge 1st Day cover (Fleetwood) showing all Armed services, all cancelled "First Day".
245 ★ Postal Card, 2c Wash. U93, complete Albino.

COLLECTIONS — ASS'T. ITEMS

- 246 ★ Autograph, Oliver W. Holmes, on small calling card, dated, Boston, Oct. 1st, 1873.
247 ★ Autograph—William C. Bryant, on small calling card, dated, April 17th, 1873.
248 ★ Airmail cover, one of few delivered from crash near Calden, Idaho, Dec. 18, 1936.
249 ★ U.S.—used & unused—Commems & reg. iss. poor-F 29.00+
250 ★ Collection—1922 stamps, in Int. Jr. Bound, Nothing rare, but a start. About 50.00
251 ★ Collection—U.S. 320 stamps, bet. 1857-1947, unused and used, heavier in later iss. mid in Amer. L.L. Album. 79.47
252 ★ 174 stps, ass't Foreign, *— in small app. book. Nice lot 23.64
253 ★ Postcards, 8 different, showing engravings of stamps, color of Switzerland, Bavaria, France very beautiful.
254 ★ Collection, Austria, Lombardy Venetia, bet. #1-34, 27 stamps, maj. used, nice lot. 57.05
255 ★ Brazil, Collection of 501, mid. on small Quad sheet, Maj. used bet. 1893-1945. Ret. about 35.00
256 ★ China—Collection 1000 diff. mounted on large approval book, used and unused. Wholesale 28.00
257 ★ Czechoslovakia, balance of collection, 374 stamps, C-K. 29.96
258 ★ Collection, Denmark, 128 stamps, used. 6.15
259 ★ Mexico Collection, Airs, 36 var. (12 cpl. sets) C-F-VF 10.40
260 ★ Collection, Modena, 1-9, cpl. country, used, last stamp unused, fine lot. 23.75
261 ★ Norway, balance of collection, 153 stamps, maj. ★ bet. 1895-1945, Reg. iss. semi-post. Dues, etc. some cpl. sets very nice lot. 21.50
262 ★ Collection Romagna, #1-9, cpl. country F-VF lot. 24.75
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